

REMARKS

Claims 1-62 are pending in the application. Claims 1-37 are allowed. Claims 38-62 have been cancelled.

Cancellation of any claims should in no way be construed as an acquiescence, narrowing, or surrender of any subject matter. The amendments are being made not only to point out with particularity and to claim the present invention, but also to expedite prosecution of the present application. Applicants reserve the option to prosecute the originally filed claims further, or similar ones, in the instant or subsequently filed patent applications.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 38-62 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Thomeer, U.S. Patent 5,828,003 in view of Williams et al, 5,908,049. Claims 38-62 have been canceled solely to expedite prosecution. Applicants therefore respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the pending rejections.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), please grant any extension of time that this paper requires but no accompanying paper requests. Also, please charge any additional fee

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